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# ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME

## DIVISION OF COMMERCIAL FISHERIES

### NEWS RELEASE



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#### **SOUTHEAST ALASKA SALMON PURSE SEINE FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT**

Sitka. . . The Alaska Department of Fish and Game announced today that the following areas will be open to purse seining during the times and in the areas listed below.

##### District 1

The following area will be open to purse seining from **5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Thursday, July 6, 2017:**

Section 1-F: will be open south of a line from the southernmost tip of Cone Point at 55°14.45' N. latitude, 131°18.90' W. longitude to the northernmost tip of Harbor Point to Point Davison Light then due west to the District 2 boundary with the following restriction:

Boca de Quadra: will be closed east of a line from Quadra Point to Kah Shakes Point.

##### District 2

The following area will be open to purse seining from **5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Thursday, July 6, 2017:**

District 2: will be open south of the northernmost tip of Polk Island located at 55°00.73' N. latitude with the following restriction:

Moir Sound: all waters will be closed.

##### District 10

The following area will be open to purse seining from **5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Thursday, July 6, 2017:**

District 10: will be open with the following restrictions:

Admiralty Island shoreline: will be closed within 3.0 nautical miles of the Admiralty Island shoreline;

Frederick Sound: will be closed east of a line from Cape Fanshaw Light to Pinta Point.

**District 11**

The following area will be open to purse seining from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Thursday, July 6, 2017:

Section 11-A: will be open in the following area:

**Amalga Harbor Special Harvest Area (SHA):** will be open in the waters of Favorite Channel within the boundaries of a line from a marker on the mainland shore south of Eagle Beach at 58°30.65' N. latitude, 134°49.30' W. longitude, running west to a point at 58°30.47' N. latitude, 134°50.72' W. longitude, then running south to a point at 58°28.94' N. latitude, 134°48.91' W. longitude, then running southeast to a point at 58°28.72' N. latitude, 134°47.74' W. longitude, then running northeast to a marker on the mainland shore north of Pearl Harbor at 58°28.78' N. latitude, 134°47.26' W. longitude, then north to a marker on the mainland shore at 58°28.99' N. latitude, 134°47.41' W. longitude, then north to a marker on the westernmost tip of Kishbrock Island at 58°29.47' N. latitude, 134°47.78' W. longitude, and then north to a marker on the mainland shore at 58°30.02' N. latitude, 134°48.06' W. longitude.

**District 12**

The following areas will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Thursday, July 6, 2017:

Section 12-A: will be open in the following areas:

Point Augusta: will be open within **1.0 nautical mile** from the Chichagof Island shoreline south of **58°03.40' N. latitude** and north of a regulatory marker at 58°01.63' N. latitude (located 1 nautical mile south of Point Augusta Light);

Tenakee Inlet: will be open west of a line from the easternmost tip of East Point to a point at 57°46.34' N. latitude, 134°56.07' W. longitude to South Passage Point and east of the longitude of Corner Bay Point.

**District 13**

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Thursday, July 6, 2017:

Section 13-C: will be open with the following restrictions:

Saook Bay: will be closed west of a line from the easternmost tip of Saook Point to the northernmost tip of Point Kennedy;

Rodman Bay: will be closed south and west of a line from the easternmost tip of Point Elizabeth to Point Benham Light;

Sitkoh Bay and Florence Bay: will be closed north of a line from Point Craven to Point Hayes.

**Amalga Harbor SHA update:** It is requested that boats do not anchor in the Amalga Harbor SHA **prior to 6:00 pm, Tuesday July 4**. Anchoring in the active cost recovery area can interfere with DIPAC cost recovery operations. Cost recovery operations are progressing very well for the time.

**King Salmon Landing Restrictions:** **For Kendrick Bay THA and fishing areas open outside of THAs, king salmon 28 inches or greater in length may NOT be retained and sold.** King salmon greater than 21 inches and less than 28 inches may be retained but not sold. King salmon 21 inches or less may be retained and sold. All king salmon harvested in the Hidden Falls, Anita Bay, and Neets Bay THAs may be retained and sold. All king salmon harvested in the Deep Inlet THA must be retained and may be sold.

The next seine announcement will be issued on **Friday, July 7, 2017**.

Copies of the “2017 Southeast Alaska Purse Seine Fishery Management Plan” may be obtained at department area offices listed below and can be downloaded on the department’s website at:  
[http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyareasoutheast.salmon\\_managementplans](http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyareasoutheast.salmon_managementplans).

The Emergency Order corresponding with this news release is EO 1S2217.

<b>Southeast Alaska Purse Seine Harvest Estimates</b> <b>Statistical Week 27</b> <b>Preliminary Estimates Compiled July 3, 2017</b>							
NUMBERS OF SALMON							
Area	King	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total	Boats
District 1	0	620	650	16,000	20,000	37,270	39
District 2*	0	650	900	6,000	50,000	57,550	83
Point Augusta**	0	400	70	42,000	18,600	61,070	16
Tenakee Inlet	0	600	350	46,500	29,500	76,950	31
Section 13-C	0	800	300	6,900	4,700	12,700	10
Deep Inlet THA	90	90	0	30	11,000	11,210	15
<b>Total</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>3,160</b>	<b>2,270</b>	<b>117,430</b>	<b>133,800</b>	<b>256,750</b>	<b>194</b>
FISH PER BOAT							
Area	King	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total	
District 1	0	16	17	410	513	956	
District 2*	0	8	11	72	602	693	
Point Augusta**	0	25	4	2,625	1,163	3,817	
Tenakee Inlet	0	19	11	1,500	952	2,482	
Section 13-C	0	80	30	690	470	1,270	
Deep Inlet THA	6	6	0	2	733	747	

Kendrick Bay THA harvest to date: 25,000 chum salmon.

Anita Bay THA harvest to date: 4,000 king and 2,500 chum salmon.

District 10 harvest: confidential.

\* District 2 harvest numbers are Sunday only.

\*\*In the Point Augusta Index fishery, pink salmon harvests were 78% of the recent odd year average, and chum salmon harvests were 309% of the ten-year average.

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